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THE SALES TAX IS UN-CHRISTIAN

Statesville Record

We have heard and read much about the activities of J. Paul Leonard, a local citizen who happens to be the secretary of the North Carolina Fair Tax Association. Our reading about his work was interesting as we were, more or less, in sympathy with what he is trying to accomplish by his speech making.

Last Thursday night, however, it was our privilege to be a guest of the Business and Professional Women's Club when Mr. Leonard addressed that body. His speech was an inspiration. He presented so many aspects to the demerit qualities of the sales tax that no doubt many present were fully converted to his way of viewing what he calls the income tax in reverse.

One of the most striking aspects which were brought out in Mr. Leonard's talk, and one which was a new way of viewing the sales tax to us, was what the speaker termed the un-Christian side of the levy. Some heart wringing illustrations of this aspect were given from actual experiences of the speaker, not from an imaginative allegory.

He described a family seen on the streets of Statesville within the last several days since the stores have displayed their Christmas splendor. The poor family was in rags as Mr. Leonard viewed them from his parked car in front of one of the department stores. Their clothing was so scant and tattered that bare skin shone through in many places. They hesitated in front of one of the luxuriant show windows of new, warm clothing. They looked longingly at the garments, and turned into the store. The scene attracted Mr. Leonard. He followed them to the bargain basement where they were seen to purchase a little pair of overalls for a small child. They were taxed for this pitiful privilege.

In another part of the State, a man's barn was burned and with it his team of mules. When another team of mules was bought to replace them, the man was taxed because of his distaster.

The State, in its several institutions for the training of school teachers, turns out more young ladies and men every year prepared for this profession than are needed to fill the vacancies. The ones who have to remain idle after they have prepared themselves are taxed to help pay those who are at work.

Similar circumstances of the un-Christian side of the sales tax could be recited indefinitely.

GOOD FARMERS PROSPER

The Gold Leaf Farmer, Wendell. Due to the efforts of the government at control of the production of various crops much interest has been manifested recently through the nation in the problems of farmers throughout the country.

We have made inquiries from various men in this section and have about come to the conclusion that the very best crop control is the control of a wise farmer over his own crops. Stupendous surpluses, built up when buying power wanes temporarily, are bound to affect the price of commodities adversely, and tobacco and cotton seem peculiarly susceptible to these fluctuations in price. No farmer can control this factor that affects his year's profit, but there are factors that every farmer can control. A dozen eggs that will sell for fifteen cents are worth just as much to the family of a farmer for food as if they sold for sixty cents. The same thing applies to butter, pork, corn meal, vegetables and fruits. What the farmer raises at home for home consumption is not affected by any change in prices, which is the fundamental reason why live-at-home farmers, as a rule, always prosper. This is the very best crop insurance.

It seems to us that this is the very best year we have seen for those farmers who have not been producing everything that could be raised on their farms of what they consume to begin doing this. Business, as a whole, has suffered a slightly more than normal recession, and most farm crops have slumped decidedly in price. There may be further recession in prices of farm commodities, so the sensible thing for every farmer to do this year, as we see it, is to play it safe—or at least as safe as possible.

Farming at its very best is a rather speculative enterprise. No man can know what kind of harvest he will get, no matter how hard he works. Too much rain, too little rain, or the onslaught of some insect pest may nullify all his hard work and planning. Even if a bumper crop is harvested there can be no assurance that the price will be such as to make it profitable.

The two crops in which we are most interested in Wendell, and in this community are, of course, cotton and tobacco. Prospects are not bright for good prices for either commodity for the fall of next year. A record cotton crop was produced in 1937, and indications are that even larger acreage may be planted in 1938. The carry-over is heavy, and in spite of increased foreign demand. Another large crop will almost certainly bring further declines in the price. Tobacco sold well in 1937, and cotton was cheap. This combination has always been followed the next year by a large crop of tobacco. We hope this will not be true this year, but we believe that it will. In that case, and if the seasons are favorable, we expect to see tobacco sell for much less next fall than it did last fall.

On the whole the time seems to us to be ripe to produce more feed, keep more live stock, and raise more food for home consumption. Nobody can take from the value of that portion of the crop used on the farm.

CAUGHT

G-Men from the Charlotte Branch of the F. B. I. sprung a perfect trap in Sanford Monday to capture Bill Payne and Jack Borden, notorious outlaws who escaped from the Caledonia Prison Farm last February, and have been at large since that time.

TRIPLETS FIRST

The first baby born in Wilson in 1938 was one of triplets, born to the wife of a negro, Tommy Hagan. They were two boys and a girl.

LEGAL ADVERTISING

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
 Having qualified as the Administrator with the will annexed of Redmond Whitehead deceased, of Edgecombe county, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said Estate to present the same to me in the city of Rocky Mount, N. C. on or before the 15th day of December 1938 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons who are indebted to the said Redmond Whitehead estate will please make immediate payment of such indebtedness to the undersigned.

L. P. ARMSTRONG, Administrator of Redmond Whitehead, deceased
 T. T. THORNE, Attorney.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in that certain deed of trust given by Luther Price to Stronach Wilkinson, Trustee, on the 29th day of February, 1936, and recorded in Book 346, page 369, Edgecombe County Registry, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured as therein provided, the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash on Saturday, the 22nd day of January, 1938, at or about the hour of 12:00 o'clock Noon before the Peoples Bank and Trust Company, Rocky Mount, N. C., the following described real estate in the County of Edgecombe, State of North Carolina, to-wit:

(1) In No. 12 Township, known as the Minnis Place, containing 120 acres, more or less, bounded on the North by Tar River, east by Tar River and Buck Swamp, South by Buck Swamp, West by Mrs. Lezina Bullock's old place.

(2) Adjoining the tract above described and beginning at the corner of I. C. Zimmerman's yard; thence 83 degrees and 20 minutes East 112 feet; thence S. 5 degrees 21 minutes West 628 feet to center of Buck Swamp Bridge on Tarboro Road; thence N. 58 degrees 35 minutes West 266.4 feet; thence with said road N. 40 degrees 15 minutes West 549 feet; thence with said road N. 45 degrees 50 minutes West 116.5 feet; thence with said road N. 69 degrees 35 minutes West 58 feet to iron stake on said road in corner made by Bradley's and Zimmerman's lines; thence N. 89 degrees and 50 minutes East 670 feet to the side of Zimmerman's yard; thence S. 5 degrees 21 minutes West 27 feet to the beginning, containing 6.38 acres, more or less, except a small strip of land conveyed by the parties of the first part to the North Carolina High-

way Commission containing less than one acre.

This 20th day of December, 1937.
 STRONACH WILKINSON, Trustee
 (D31-J31-14w)

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in Deed of Trust from W. F. Jones and wife, Katharine G. Jones, to R. T. Fountain, Trustee, and being duly recorded in Book 329, Page 144, Edgecombe County Register of Deeds Office, and the note therein secured being past due and the holder thereof having directed the undersigned to foreclose, the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction for cash on Saturday, January 8th, 1938, at twelve o'clock M., corner Tarboro and East Main St. in front of the Peoples Bank and Trust Co., Rocky Mount, N. C., Edgecombe County, the following described real estate:

Beginning at a point in the Southern line of Sycamore St. 257.2 ft. East of Daughtry St.; thence in a southerly direction and parallel with Daughtry St. 150 feet to an alley; thence in an Easterly direction, with the Northern line of said alley, 64.3 feet; thence in a Northerly direction and parallel with Daughtry St. 150 feet to the Southern line of Sycamore St.; thence in a Westerly direction, with the Southern line of said street, 64.3 feet to the beginning. Together with all and singular the lands, tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, in anywise appertaining, and all estate, right, title thereto, This being the identical lot or parcel of land which was conveyed to E. S. Paddon by deed from L. D. Harper and wife, Nannie D. Harper, and Susan D. Jones, recorded in Book 182, page 155, Edgecombe County Registry and being subject to the same restrictions set out in said deed, to which reference may be made for further description and identification.

Said above described property will be sold subject to a prior Deed of Trust executed by W. F. Jones and wife to K. D. Battle, Trustee, recorded in Book 294, page 440, Edgecombe County Registry.

This the 8th day of December, 1937.

R. T. Fountain, Trustee.
 B. E. Fountain, Atty.
 (D10-J7-5t)

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

Sunday morning service 11 A. M.
 Subject: "God"
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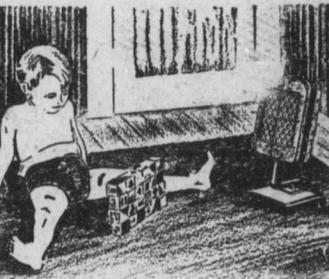
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 DECEMBER 31, 1937
 (CONDENSED FROM REPORT TO NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF BANKS AND THE FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION)

RESOURCES:	
Cash and Due from Banks	\$1,639,230.12
U. S. Government Securities	207,000.00
State of North Carolina Bonds	253,000.00
Municipal and County Bonds	316,500.00
Premium on Bonds	14,459.36
Accrued Interest on Bonds	6,375.30
Listed Stocks	49,953.36
Loans and Discounts	844,228.41
Real Estate	None
Furniture and Fixtures	21,101.24
Prepaid Insurance	2,263.06
Interest Earned—Not collected	887.58
Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance on Life of Officers	4,745.00
Overdrafts	7.67
Advance to Trusts	57.31
TOTAL	\$3,359,808.41
LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock—Common	\$ 120,000.00
Capital Stock—Preferred	80,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00
Undivided Profits and Reserves	43,435.01
DEPOSITS	3,016,373.40
TOTAL	\$3,359,808.41

The Above Does Not Include Trust Assets of \$2,219,433.73

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